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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Children

Introduced by: (KID)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF CHILDREN PLACED IN OUT-OF-STATE RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Section 17a-151aa of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2007*):
 - (a) Any state agency that places a child, as defined in section 17a-93, in a residential facility shall enter into a written agreement with the facility at the time of the placement. Such written agreement shall establish clear standards for the child's care and treatment, including, but not limited to, requirements for monthly written reports concerning the child's care and treatment, addressed to the case worker overseeing the child's placement. The monthly written reports shall set forth child-specific goals and expectations for treatment and progress. The written agreement shall require the facility to report promptly to the placing agency any allegation that the child is abused or neglected, as defined in section 46b-120, or any incident of abuse or neglect of an individual placed in the facility. The placing agency shall ensure that a discharge plan is initiated no later than two weeks after the child's placement in the facility.

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17 (b) In the case of a child placed by [the Department of Children and Families] <u>a state agency</u> in a residential facility in another state, the [Commissioner of Children and Families] <u>placing agency</u> shall ensure 20 that a representative of the [department] <u>agency</u> makes in-person visits with the child no less frequently than every two months in order to 22 assess the <u>quality of care</u>, <u>progress in treatment and health and</u> well-23 being of the child.

| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: | | |
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| Section 1 | October 1, 2007 | 17a-151aa |

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